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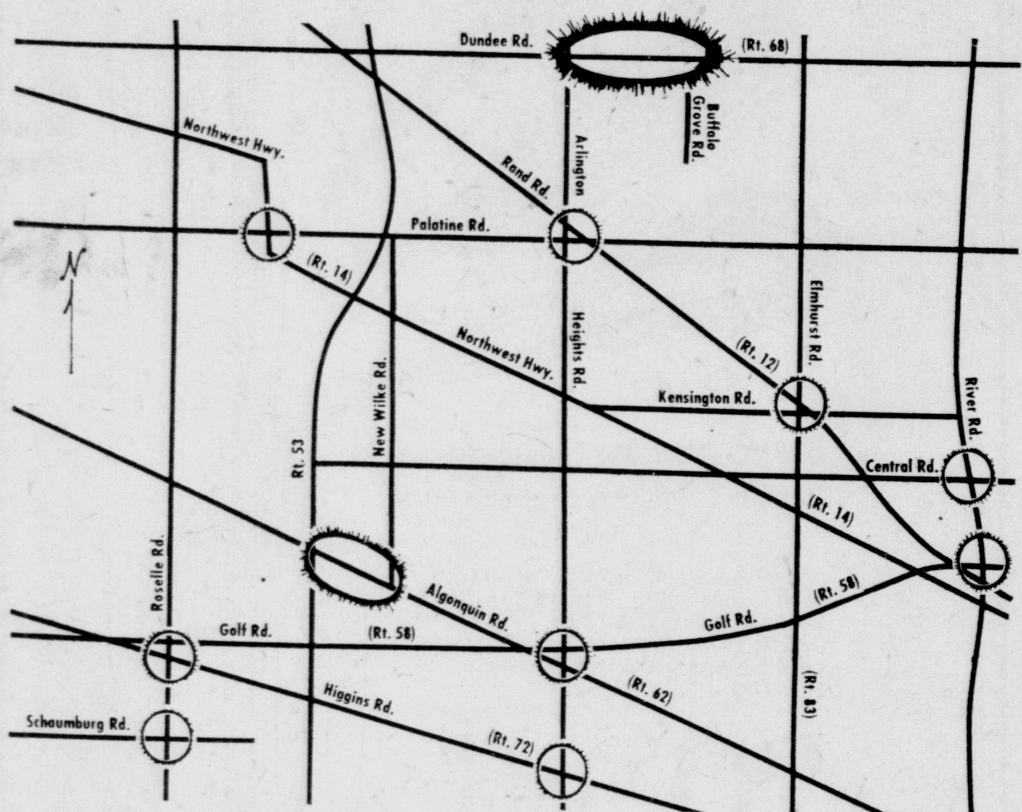
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Suburbs' top spots for 'fender benders'



WHAT ARE the most hazardous intersections in the area? Circles pinpoint some of the spots police say are hazardous.

by STIRLING MORITA
and
JOHN MAES

Think about it. Of all the bad intersections in the Northwest suburbs, which is the most dangerous? At what crossing will the law of averages be against you and the fender of your car?

A Herald survey of police department statistics in the Northwest suburbs reveals that the worst intersection in the area is at Higgins and Roselle roads in Hoffman Estates where there were 73 accidents in the first five months of the year.

Here are the most hazardous spots in the Northwest Suburbs: Hoffman Estates — 1-14 bold—

About 17 per cent (73 accidents) of Hoffman Estates' 426 accidents for the first five months of 1975 occurred at Higgins and Roselle roads — most of them caused by a vehicle making an improper left turn, police said.

"Hopefully, that will change with the construction at the intersection," said Hoffman Estates Sgt. Ronald Sperandio, who said a second left-turn lane and a traffic light for only left-turning west-bound (on Higgins) traffic, should be completed soon.

About 500 feet north of the intersection is another accident-prone area. There have been 13 accidents where the driveways of two shopping plazas meet on Roselle Road. Sperandio said he hoped the mishaps would be cut if right-turn-only signs were erected on the plaza driveways.

He said the most hazardous areas with high rates of injuries are Golf Road west of Barrington Road along with Hassell and Barrington roads. Sperandio said the western stretch of Golf Road is dimly lit and the road is in poor condition. The Hassell-Barrington area draws heavy morning traffic

with resident heading for the Barrington Road entrance to the Northwest Tollway.

Hoffman Estates

In Schaumburg for the first five months of 1975, about 4 per cent (45 accidents) of the village's 1,076 accidents occurred at Schaumburg and Roselle roads, and about 3 per cent (36) at Golf and Higgins roads.

Sgt. Dan Coursey said the causes were chiefly engineering problems like speed limits being too high and poor visibility.

Elk Grove Village

Elk Grove Village police said the most hazardous intersection in that community is Higgins and Arlington Heights roads. Police said an accident occurs there almost every week.

Arlington Heights

Arlington Heights authorities pointed to three areas of the village where there are large numbers of accidents — downtown, the Rand-Palatine-Arlington Heights roads triangle and the Algonquin-Golf-Arlington Heights roads triangle.

Capt. Jack Aldrich said a large number of the mishaps occur from "sheer traffic volume. As long as we're going to have a lot of people, we are going to have accidents."

Records through mid-June show: Arlington Heights-Algonquin, 37 accidents (4 per cent of the 852 total accidents); Golf-Algonquin, 21 (2.5 per cent); Golf-Arlington Heights, 26 (3 per cent); Rand-Arlington Heights, 29 (3.4 per cent); Palatine-Arlington Heights, 9 (1 per cent); Sigwalt-Arlington Heights, 11 (1.3 per cent).

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Town Center's 2nd phase to be revealed tonight

The second phase of a feasibility study on the Buffalo Grove town center will be revealed tonight to the board of trustees.

William L. Haralson of Economics Research Associates, the firm hired by the village to do the study, will present three or four alternative con-

cepts of what might be included in the town center.

Planning officials are considering an 80-acre parcel north of Lake-Cook Road and between Buffalo Grove Road and Ill. Rte. 83 for the center that will include municipal, recrea-

tional, entertainment and cultural facilities.

Haralson had previously said the town center will be tailored to the needs of the community.

Trustees also will hear the results and the comments made in a village survey on the town center.

MORE THAN 800 families responded to the survey which was sent with the last village newsletter.

The residents were asked for their preferences on what the town center might include and what type architectural style it should be built.

Also on the village board agenda is an ordinance to appropriate funds for the current fiscal year. The ordinance calls for \$5.1 million in funds to be appropriated for municipal operations.

A request for \$140,000 in tax anticipation warrants will be requested by Village Finance Director Richard Glueckert.

In a report to Village Mgr. Daniel T. Larson, Glueckert said that a cash flow analysis predicts a \$30,000 deficit in August, with no "tax relief" until late September.

The village needs to sell tax anticipation warrants to maintain municipal operations, Glueckert said. The bonds will be paid off when the village receives the tax monies.

Also on the agenda, board members will examine annual performance reports of last year's municipal activities.

Buffalo Grove crime on the rise

Major crimes in Buffalo Grove, keyed by a sharp increase in theft, rose 15.5 per cent for the first six months of the year, recently-released police statistics show.

Figures indicate police handled a total of 365 major offenses, including robberies, burglaries, assault and theft so far this year. The 1974 total for five months was 316.

Thefts jumped 19.2 per cent from 198 to 236 while burglaries also showed an increase, 6.3 per cent from 63 to 67.

AUTO THEFTS rose 30 per cent from 10 in 1974 to 13 in 1975 while assaults remained about even, 45 in 1975 and 44 reported last year at this time.

There have been two armed robberies in the village this year and one reported rape. None had been recorded in 1974 statistics.

The reports also show village police handled 8.7 per cent more calls and complaints this year, 4,578, than (Continued on Page 5)

Mediator hopeful postal strike can be averted

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Day-long negotiations Sunday failed to bridge major differences between Postal Service unions and management over pay and work rules but the top U.S. labor mediator remained hopeful of agreement before the unions' contracts expired at midnight.

Director W. J. Usery of the U. S. Conciliation and Mediation Service early Sunday evening said some major decisions remained to be made if a new contract covering about 600,000 postal workers was to be reached by the midnight deadline.

At a dinner break, James H. Rademacher, president of the National Assn. of Letter Carriers, complained "we've heard nothing all day."

"We're insulted by an offer from management, which in my personal opinion, would not exceed 3 per cent," he said, compared with a 24 per cent increase originally demanded by the unions.

Rademacher, however, said that his union was not prepared to strike.

Some local unions had threatened to

demonstrate or strike if a new contract was not reached but a nationwide walkout, which is forbidden by federal law, was not anticipated.

Usery said, "I certainly think that postal workers will continue to work. I hope. It would be a violation of the law if they strike."

BERNARD CUSHMAN, chief negotiator for the four postal unions, said "There are rather a substantial number of issues over which there are wide differences."

The major issues remained money and work rules, Cushman said. "I am still attempting and will continue to attempt to reach an agreement."

He added he hoped Postal Service management would make a new offer.

Darrell F. Brown, assistant postmaster general and chief negotiator for the Postal Service, said in a cautiously-worded statement, "We continue to remain hopeful that we will have an agreement on all issues before midnight."

Usery, special assistant to President Ford for labor relations, said he was seeking a settlement rather than simply an interim agreement that would keep postal workers on the job while the talks continued.

"SOME MAJOR decisions have to be made, if they can be made," Usery said. "I'm still hopeful."

Usery said the talks were among "the toughest I've been in."

Rademacher said, "There's a complete understanding that nobody's going to go out tomorrow. Whatever job action we take has got to be national, well-organized."

"We would want to be fair to the public because we would not want to be striking against the public," Rademacher said. He disclosed the union's first wage position called for an increase of about 24 per cent during a two-year period, which he said would mean comparability with the employees of the private United Parcel Service. He said USP workers make \$1.36 an hour more than postal worker on the same jobs.

Rademacher indicated the unions had eased these wage demand when he said, "We recognize the pressures. We are willing to make an accommodation."



A LOT of fast dribbling and footwork goes into an afternoon of basketball. Ross Hanson, left, and Dave Nellesen, right, find their Buffalo Grove street a perfect court.

Motorist, 39, arrested after traffic dispute

A Buffalo Grove man was arrested Friday for allegedly threatening a man with a tire iron during a traffic dispute in Schaumburg, police said.

James W. Donovan, 39, of 308 Buffalo Grove Rd., was charged with assault and criminal damage to property. He was discovered to be wanted by Chicago police for numerous parking violations. The bond for the parking violations had been set at \$3,000.

Police were told Donovan waved a

tire iron at Donald Bush of Hoffman Estates during the dispute at Higgins Road near Ill. Rte. 53 Friday afternoon. Bush drove away, but Donovan struck the car with the iron, police said. Donovan was later arrested at his home by Buffalo Grove police.

Donovan was released after posting \$1,000 bond on the Schaumburg charges and \$3,000 for the Chicago violations. He is scheduled to appear Aug. 22 in the Schaumburg branch of Circuit Court.

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TV coverage of spacemen

Here's the timetable of events today for the Apollo-Soyuz international spaceflight.

5:50 a.m. — Soyuz touchdown near the town of Arkalyk in Siberia, 1,250 miles southeast of Moscow.

6:05 a.m. — Astronauts awaken.

6:50 a.m. — Apollo crew eats breakfast.

8:44 a.m. — Apollo crew conducts x-ray astronomy experiment for 37 minutes. It is the first such experiment periods Monday.

1:45 p.m. — Astronauts eat lunch.

2:56 p.m. — Apollo astronauts use a helium detector to study interstellar space.

9:30 p.m. — Apollo crew eats dinner.

Wheeling, River Trails park units seek to annex same choice area

by TOM VON MALDER

A potential battle looms between the Wheeling and River Trails park districts over the annexation of an unincorporated area in Wheeling Township that lies between the two districts.

River Trails Park District officials have estimated the area, which contains mostly apartments and one shopping center, could bring in an added \$125,000 tax receipts to its district. The area lies south of Palatine Road, east of Wolf Road, north of Willow Road/Seminole Lane and west of Milwaukee Avenue and River Road.

The Wheeling Park Board Thursday night unanimously voted to proceed with annexation of the area, instructing the park staff to meet with the district's attorney to set up a timetable and format for a referendum. As the district is initiating the annexation attempt, a coincidental referendum would have to be held among residents already in the district to obtain their approval of the annexation.

JUST HOURS AFTER the Wheeling Park District vote, the River Trails Park Board gave its staff the go ahead to prepare the procedures for annexation of the same area. The River Trails commissioners have been discussing the annexation of the area for several months.

"They're interested in the money (tax receipts) and we are interested

in the money is what it comes down to," said Marvin Weiss, director of the River Trails Park District, when he learned of the Wheeling Park Board's action. He added that Wheeling Park Director David Phillips contacted him after a newspaper article appeared on the River Trails District's possible annexation of the area and both directors went out and looked at the area.

"It's the final completion of the shopping center that has brought all this to a head," said River Trails Comr. George R. Meier. The shopping center is the Willow-Park Shopping Plaza at the southwest corner of Milwaukee Avenue and Palatine Road.

Weiss, agreeing with Meier, said, "I kind of look on the area as the salvation to the potential financing crisis we are facing." The district is faced with smaller tax receipts because of a lowering of the district's land-values for tax purposes.

RESIDENTS OF THE area stand to gain a new park no matter which of the two park districts are successful in annexing the area.

Phillips said his board discussed a possible 5-to 10-acre community park for the area. The River Trails Board said it would study the area to determine what size park might be needed and what facilities should be included at the park.

Some members of the River Trails Park Board said they felt a joint referendum — giving residents of the area a chance to choose which park district they wanted to join — might be a good idea. Phillips said his board did not discuss such a possibility, although he added that it would not be immediately ruled out.

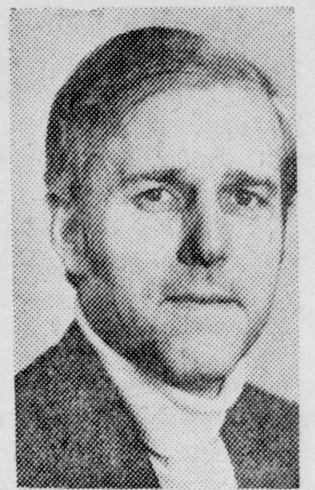
It is estimated that some 5,000 persons live in the area, which includes such apartment complexes as Gladstone Glen, Lake Run, Quince Park, Orchard and Birchwood Traces, Loch Lomond and Willow-River. There are no parks in the area, although there is a play area at Stevenson School, in the northwest section of the proposed annexation area. The school itself already is in the Wheeling Park District.

Bjorvik 'man in middle?'

Atty. Roger A. Bjorvik could become a man in the middle if a fight does break out between the River Trails and Wheeling park districts over annexation of property north of Seminole-Willow Lane in Wheeling Township.

Both park boards have begun action to annex the area which contains some 5,000 apartment dwellers and a new shopping center. Bjorvik is the attorney for both park districts.

"I have to sit down and talk with them," Bjorvik said Friday of the brewing complication in his position. He would not comment on what he feels might happen but said if a fight did develop and the park districts found themselves on opposite sides in



Roger Bjorvik

court, he was "sure" something would be done so he would not represent both districts in the court battle.

Crime in Buffalo Grove up 15% over last year

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they did last year when there were 4,195.

There were also increases reported in several categories of minor criminal activity including:

- Vandalism which rose 11.3 per cent. A total of 246 such offenses have occurred in 1975 with 221 on record at this time last year.

- Drunk-driving was up from 22 to 32-incidents, a 45.5 per cent increase. In addition, liquor law violations, drunkenness and disorderly conduct rose 18.7 per cent from 63 to 76 reported cases.

- Juvenile crime increased at a rate of 7.3 per cent, from 329 to 353, the figures show. Narcotics offenses increased by two incidents, 20 to 22

through the first five months. Sex offenses rose 15 to 21, or 40 per cent.

DECREASES WERE noted however in arsons, down from five to one and in weapons violations which dropped 43.5 per cent from 39 to 22 cases. The number of forgery and counterfeiting cases remained the same at 17 for both reporting periods.

Traffic law violations have been 33.9 per cent higher this year than at this time in 1974, the report showing 230 such violations as compared with 171.

A 13 per cent increase was reflected in traffic accidents. Village police report 233 this year while only 206 had occurred in a comparable 1974 period.

Police have answered 410 service calls this year, 25.7 less than the 552 reported in five months in 1974.

Commuters lose spots to better

Commuters who regularly use the Arlington Park train station are running into problems from race track patrons.

Racing fans are parking haphazardly in the commuter lot in order to skirt the \$1 race track parking fee and the crowded lots near the grandstand.

In many cases, the race track cars are arriving after the daily 50-cent commuter parking fee has been collected, area residents report, and the track patrons wind up parking for free.

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS Police Capt. Jack Aldrich says the village has no jurisdiction over parking in the race track's commuter lot and is powerless to ticket or tow improperly parked cars. Police officers have talked to track officials about the problem, he said.

"We have no police authority whatsoever, but I think they're getting tired of listening to us," Aldrich said.

At Arlington Park, a spokesman admitted Friday that a problem does exist.

"I just talked to the police about it today," he said. "We're on to the problem and something is going to have to be done about it."

An attendant may have to be assigned to police the lot, he said.

There is parking for 800 cars in Arlington Park's commuter lot. The station opened in September 1973 and use of the train station quickly increased.

Residents say the improperly parked cars are a nuisance and a hazard during the evening rush hour when many cars are leaving the parking lot and other cars are pulling in to pick up riders.



PATCHES SEEMS to be keeping a lonely vigil while his friends are busy constructing a clubhouse. The Wheeling boys are (clockwise) Scott Nowak, Ray Larson, Todd Nowak and Mark Nowak. (Photo by Greg Warner)

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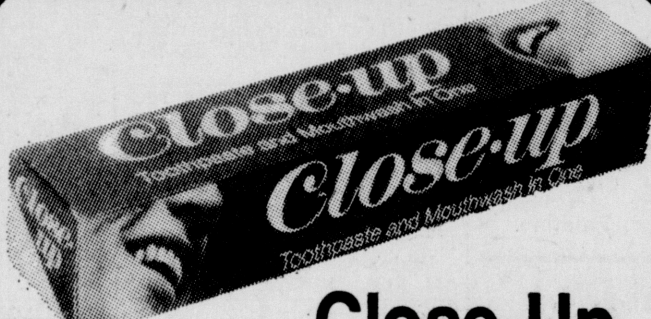
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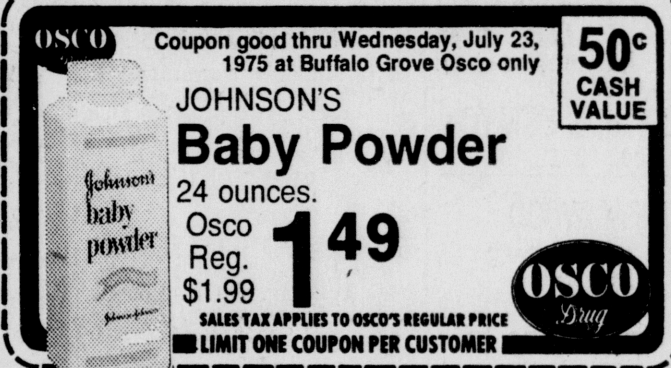
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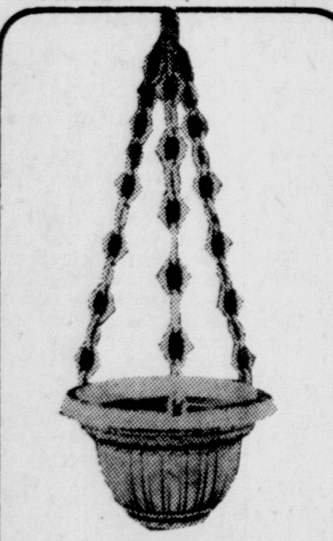
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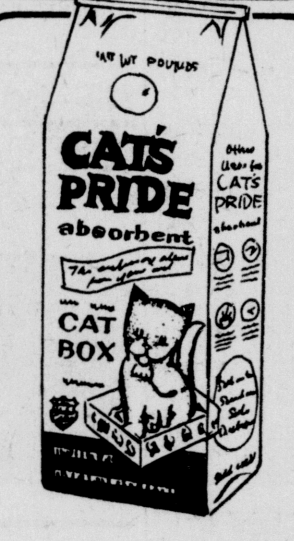
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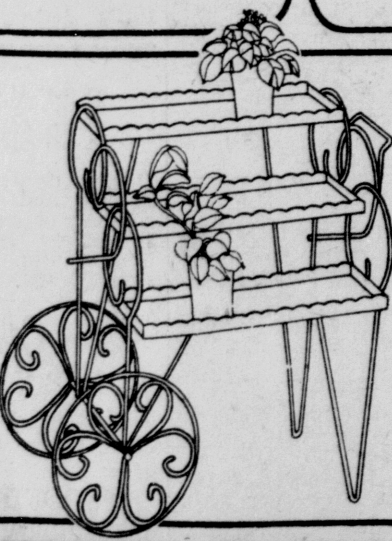
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